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SUBJECT: SEC VISIT: SPECIAL SESSION UNGA AND 30TH UNGA

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1. SUMMARY: CITING LIKELIHOOD OF EMIGRE ATTEMPTS TO DISTURB IMPROVING US-YUGOSLAV RELATIONS, GOY HAS ASKED FOR MAXIMUM EFFORT TO PROTECT FOREIGN SECRETARY MINIC DURING SPECIAL AND REGULAR UNGA SESSIONS. SECRETARY MINIC PERSONALLY "WORRIED" ABOUT HIS SAFETY. TRAVEL PLANS FOR SPECIAL SESSION WERE ALSO FURNISHED. END SUMMARY.

2. POLITICAL COUNSELOR ON AUGUST 22 MET WITH OFFICIALS FROM FEDERAL SECRETARIAT FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS (FSFA) AND FEDERAL SECRETARIAT FOR INTERNAL AFFAIRS (FSIA). YUGOSLAVS REQUESTED THAT EVERY EFFORT BE MADE TO PROTECT FOREIGN SECRETARY MINIC DURING VISITS TO NEW YORK IN SEPTEMBER FOR UN MEETINGS. THEY BELIEVE EMIGRE GROUPS ARE LIKELY TO ATTEMPT TO DISTURB RELATIONS, WHICH HAVE RECENTLY BEEN DRAMATIZED BY SUCCESSFUL VISITS OF PRESIDENT FORD AND CODEL ALBERT TO YUGOSLAVIA. THEY EMPHASIZED EXTENSIVE SECURITY PRECAUTIONS HERE FOR AMERICAN LEADERS AND HOPED WE WOULD PROVIDE EQUIVALENT PROTECTION.

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3. INSPECTOR PREDRAG DJOREVIC OF FSIA EXPRESSED APPRECIATION FOR PAST EFFORTS OF NEW YORK POLICE DEPARTMENT AND ASKED THAT CONTROL BE EXERCISED OVER KNOWN EXTREMISTS AS HAD BEEN DONE DURING PRIME MINISTER BIJEDIC'S VISIT IN MARCH, 1975. HE SAID GOY HAD FURNISHED USG AT THAT TIME LIST OF DANGEROUS EMIGRES WHICH IS STILL VALID. HE NOTED MINIC HAD BEEN FORCED REMAIN IN HIS ROOM FOR ENTIRE DAY DURING MARCH VISIT DUE TO SECRET SERVICE REPORT OF POSSIBLE ASSASSINATION PLOT. DJOREVIC SAID MINIC NOW PERSONALLY WORRIED ABOUT HIS SAFETY IN NEW YORK.

4. DJOREVIC URGED THAT ACTION BE TAKEN AGAINST PERPETRATORS OF BOMBING OF UN MISSION IN NEW YORK. HE SAID YUGOSLAV REPRESENTATIVES NOW TWO MONTHS LATER HAVE BEEN TOLD ONLY THAT INVESTIGATION IS PROCEEDING.

5. MIODRAG KELIC, DEPUTY AMERICAN DESK OFFICER IN FSFA, SAID UNITED STATES WAS NOW "THE" CENTER OF HOSTILE EMIGRE FINANCING AND ORGANIZATION IN WORLD. HE NOTED SPEECHES BY CONGRESSMEN JOHN ASHBROOK, TRENT LOTT, AND LARRY MCDONALD IN FIRST HALF OF THIS YEAR WHICH HE INTERPRETED AS SUPPORTING USTASHI. KELIC HAD REPORTS OF THESE SPEECHES ON HIS DESK, INDICATING CLOSENESS WITH WHICH GOY FOLLOWS US ATTITUDES REGARDING EMIGRES.

6. SECRETARY MINIC WILL ARRIVE IN NEW YORK FOR SPECIAL SESSION ON AUGUST 31 AT 9:45 PM ON LUFTHANSA FLIGHT 499 FROM LIMA. HE WILL RESIDE WITH YUGOSLAV AMBASSADOR TO UN PETRIC AT 1155 PARK AVENUE, 9TH FLOOR. MINIC WILL DEPART AT 9:00 PM ON SEPTEMBER 6 ON PAN AMERICAN FLIGHT 102 FOR BELGRADE. TRAVEL PLANS FOR THE REGULAR UNGA ARE NOT YET FIRM, NOR IS COMPOSITION OF DELEGATION. BUT MINIC IS EXPECTED TO ARRIVE AROUND SEPTEMBER 20 FROM CANADA ON CANADIAN GOVERNMENT PLANE AND TO STAY SOMEWHAT LONGER THAN FOR SPECIAL SESSION.

7. ACTION REQUESTED: DEPARTMENT IS REQUESTED TO INSURE THAT MINIC RECEIVES EFFECTIVE PROTECTION, AS WELL AS NORMAL CUSTOMS COURTESIES.
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